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ANNOUNCEMENT

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FISH AND WILDLIFE TRUST SOLICITS PROJECTS FOR FUNDING

The Montana Fish and Wildlife Conservation Trust is pleased to announce that they will be accepting proposals for project funding for 2009. The Trust will make available up to \$125,000 for projects that restore and conserve fisheries, wildlife and riparian habitat, enhance public hunting, fishing and recreational opportunities and improve public access to public lands. This amount is subject to change based upon the Trust's earnings and will be reviewed at the June, 2009 Joint Federal/State Board meeting for final distribution

For this funding cycle the Trust will be accepting proposals between February 14 and April 11, 2009. Money will be awarded for statewide projects with a minimum of \$62,500 to be provided to projects within the hydrologic drainage of the Missouri River between Holter Lake dam and the confluence of the Missouri River.

The objective of the trust is to acquire publicly accessible land and interest in land, including easements and conservation easements, in the state from willing sellers at no more then fair market value to:

restore and conserve fisheries habitat, including riparian habitat;

restore and conserve wildlife habitat

enhance public hunting, fishing, and recreational opportunities; and

improve public access to public lands

The Trust will not commit funding for infrastructure, administrative, overhead, or indirect costs. All project applications must be postmarked no later than April 11, 2009.

The Trust will begin accepting proposals February 14, 2009. All applications must be postmarked no later than April 11, 2009. Applications may be requested by contacting the Trust at:

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